

**Meeting Date** 12 June 2023

**Status:** [ ] ▾

**Motion type:** Financial ▾

\_\_\_ in favour, \_\_\_ against

**Declared conflicts:**

**Abstentions or other notes:**

**Moved by Councillor** \_\_\_\_\_

**Seconded by Councillor** \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Mowing Victoria Park in the 2023 Summer Season**

**WHEREAS** Victoria Park is recognized as being of recreational value to the local community, the Island community, and out-of-province visitors alike, and this has been evidenced by positive comments received about the basic maintenance which took place there in May,

**WHEREAS** the CAO has received one offer from a resident of a nearby community to try community-based fundraising, and also that AMAR (owners of the neighbouring property) has mowed part of the park once this season, without being asked to do so;

**WHEREAS** the 2023-24 operational budget allocated a total of \$6,655 for lawnmowing across 6 other municipal properties, but that we have signed a contract for \$5,500 this year for those properties, leaving an excess of \$1,155 unallocated;

**WHEREAS** the South Shore Watershed Association recommends not mowing within 15 metres of the cliff wherever possible, will be placing flags to mark this border, and is willing to plant deep-rooted species in that buffer zone throughout this and future years to prevent erosion, however one neighbouring cottager (whose identity is unknown) has mowed a walking path close to the cliff, without being asked to do so,

**BE IT RESOLVED** that Council authorizes the CAO to:

- continue organizing lawnmowing for Victoria Park in 2023, outside of the buffer zone except where necessary to access park facilities, up to a total cost of \$2500
- work with interested individuals, and AMAR, to solicit donations of either services or earmarked funds to maintain the lawn in the park throughout the 2023 season
- place low-cost laminated paper signage informing users of the 15m buffer zone.

I certify that this is a true copy of the resolution.

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**Deputy Mayor**  
Shelley Trainor

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**Chief Administrative Officer**  
Anna Keenan